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TO AMEMBASSY JIDDA

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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: REACTIONS TO CURRENT ANTI-SAUDI CAMPAIGN

REFS: (A) JIDDA 1469 (B) 011629Z 75

WE GIVING SERIOUS CONSIDERATION PROBLEMS COVERED REF (A).
IN MEANTIME FOLLOWING RESPONSES QUESTIONS RAISED PARA 12
REF (A). (A) QTE: COLONEL DAVID BERG UNQTE APPEARS TO BE
LT. COL. DAVID BROG, AN ECM SPECIALIST WHO IS LIKELY TO
BE PART OF ECM TEAM PROPOSED TO SAUDIS. BROG IS HIGHLY
QUALIFIED EXPERT ON ASPECTS OF ECM RELATING TO F-5 PROGRAM.
WE WOULD HOPE SAUDIS WILL AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE OF VISA.
HOWEVER WE SOMEWHAT PERPLEXED BY MAS'UD'S INQUIRY, SINCE
SAG EMBASSY WASHINGTON HAS NO RECORD OF HIS HAVING APPLIED
FOR A VISA. (B) SAUDIS REACTED NEGATIVELY TO CANCELLATION
OF SIMON/ABA AL-KHAIL PRESS CONFERENCE. IN CONVERSATION
WITH COMMERCE UNDER SECRETARY TABOR (MEMCON BEING POUCHED),
DR. SOLAIM REGRETTE THAT CONFERENCE HAD BEEN CANCELLED

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SINCE IT DENIED SAUDIS OPPORTUNITY TO RESPOND TO CRITICISM

THAT HAD BEEN RAISED IN PRESS. HE FELT THAT IT SHOULD
HAVE BEEN HELD, SINCE IT OTHERWISE LOOKED LIKE THE SAUDIS
WERE RUNNING AWAY FROM THE ISSUES. KISSINGER

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